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In reference to application of Ross W. Callon et al.

Serial No. 09/113,491

For System and Method for Facilitating Recovery from Communication Link Failures in a Digital Data Network

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Transmitted herewith is and an amendment in the above-identified application, under 37 C.F.R. 1.312.

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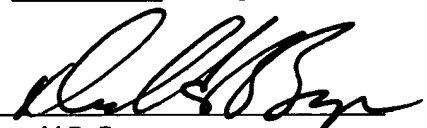| (1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest No. Paid For Previously	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate Small Entity	(7) Rate Large Entity	(8) Additional Fee
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In the claims:

All of the claims standing for examination are presented below in their last-amended form. Claims 51-143 are canceled as redundant. Claim 30 is amended to correct a typo.

2. (Twice Amended) A method of recovering from failures on a network having a plurality of nodes coupled by links over which data can be transferred between the nodes, each of a plurality of nodes storing information that associates links out of the node with destination nodes to which data can be transferred such that the node can forward data out of the node over a link to a next successive node toward an associated destination node, said method comprising:

for at least one of the nodes, generating and storing an alternate output route out of the node such that, in the event that data to be transferred toward a